

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re l	Patent Application of	MAIL STOP AF				
Jeron	ne R. Bellegarda et al.	Group Art Unit: 2168				
Applic	cation No.: 10/644,815	Examiner: Mahesh H Dwivedi				
Filing	Date: August 21, 2003	Confirmation No.: 6190				
Title:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC FILE CLUSTERING INTO A DATA-DRIVEN,)))				
	AMENDMENT/REPLY TRA	OPY ANSMITTAL LETTER				
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Sir:						
Enclo	sed is a reply for the above-identified patent	application.				
	A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.					
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\inspec\$ \$ 65 \$\inspec\$ \$ 130 fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. \§ 1.20(d) are enclosed.					
	Also enclosed is/are:					
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.					
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose					

Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$ 395 ☐ \$ 790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
 Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.
 Applicant(s) previously submitted ______ on _____ for which continued examination is requested.
 Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least ______, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
 A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a)

(1809/2809) is also enclosed.

No additional claim fee is required.									
An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:									
AMENDED CLAIMS									
		No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee			
Total Claims		45	45	0	x \$ 50 (1202)	\$			
Independent Claims		5	5	0	x \$ 200 (1201)				
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	The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.								
	Respectfully submitted,								
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SPECIFIC TAXONOMY

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the claims.

Claims 1-11, 13-28 and 30-47 remain pending. Claims 1, 11, 17, 28 and 38 are independent.

§103 REJECTION - BELLEGARDA, MILLIER

In the Final Office Action, claims 1-8, 11-16, 17-24, 27-34 and 38-47 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Bellegarda et al. (article entitled "Exploiting Latent Semantic Information in Statistical Language Modeling," dated October 26, 2000) in view of Millier et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,899,995). See Final Office Action, items 6-7 on pages 3-26. Since claims 12 and 29 were canceled in the previous Reply submitted on March 21, 2007, Applicants will treat claims 1-8, 11, 13-16, 17-24, 27-28, 30-34 and 38-47 as being rejected. Applicants respectfully traverse.